

NATIONAL

ATLANTA: Jennifer Maxfield (Fluffy) has been visiting Georgia Retardation Center (GRC) in the company of a group of volunteers from Civitan, a civic club that works with the mentally and physically handicapped, and is the main supporter of the Special Olympics. They were extremely enthusiastic about going along to GRC as clowns after experiencing this new (for them) way of relating to the children.

Meanwhile the Circle of Power prayer group continues to meet on a regular basis, hosted by Margery Kellar and Deborah Wengrow. Call 633-4420 for more information.

CHICAGO: Rev. Raphael de Peyer spent a very enjoyable and extremely hardworking week in Chicago in the fall, conducting a prayer group and a workshop, and giving counseling and consultations. Special thanks to Christian Mendenhall for organizing the activities, to Hans Mendenhall, Pauline Schuler and Sharon O'Leary for providing refreshments, and to all our very special friends in Chicago for making the week a success in so many ways. God bless you



Rev. Raphael de Peyer instructs during the 'Gifts of Communication' workshop in Chicago.

INTERNATIONAL

KUMASI, GHANA: Rev. Samuel K. Nyenyewode, head of the Foundation Faith Ministry in Kumasi, writes to thank us for our prayers. He says, "Now there is greater understanding of the love of Christ for mankind, so that everyone is trying hard to serve the Lord. Members enjoy using all their time, strength and hearts for the Lord, a great achievement indeed." Samuel goes on to list the main projects he and his congregation are involved in: (1) Expansion of the Temple, (2) Mission House for the ministers, the sick and visitors, (3) Church farms, and (4) rural evangelism. Our prayers are with you, Samuel.

We have received wonderful letters from many of our members in Ghana, Nigeria, and our new members in Togo. Special thanks to Comfort Antwi in Sunyani, James Quansah in Accra, and P.O. Green in Ikeja, Nigeria, for powerful testimonies to the Lord's answers to prayer.

HAITI: Many will remember the terrible Hurricane Gilbert that struck so destructively in the Caribbean. Haiti was badly hit, including the orphanage run by member, Rev. Bernadel Dalton. We thank God that the damage was not to the children or staff, but since the hurricane Rev. Dalton has been fully engaged in rebuilding the damaged structures. Anyone who would care to help in this reconstruction can send personal checks to Rev. Bernadel Dalton, P.O. Box 11208, Carrefour, Haiti, West Indies.

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LETTERS

The Desert Developmental Center Parent Group truly appreciated your participation in our annual Halloween party for the mentally handicapped. The enthusiasm and energy that you shared with our special kids was a special treat for them.

It is nice to know we can work together to make life more fun for our children in this community. Thank you for your help.

Mrs. Kay Reinhardt
President, DDC Parent's Group

Thank you for all the cute, funny faces you made at our first annual Desert Women's Day of Unity, and for supplying all the paint and make-up as well.

We were rather pleased with the turnout in the park, and we hope to make it an even greater success next year, with a lot of help from our friends.

Thank you for entertaining our shelter children, and for all the thoughtfulness you show our residents throughout the year.

Estelle M. Murphy
Executive Director, TADC

Thank you for participating in our monthly birthdays. Our participants enjoy the entertainments. Thank you.

Cindy Bower
Adaptive Community Center Coordinator
City of Las Vegas

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

☐ The Circle of Power is an international prayer fellowship, the members of which spend time each day in prayer for the sick and troubled. Every month we send out a letter containing testimonies to the Lord's healing and news of members together with a prayer list. If you would like to add your prayers to those of all members, please check the box and return this section to us.

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☐ I would like you to add me to your mailing list to receive your quarterly Newsletter.

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The following are original compositions channeled by Rev. Andrew Michaels.

- ☐ THE EVERLASTING CRIME & THE INNOCENT ONES
- ☐ ...AND NOW, A WORD FROM OUR SPONSOR
- ☐ SEASONS
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If you have checked any of the boxes above, please PRINT your name and address below, cut out this panel and mail it to: The Foundation Faith of GOD, P.O. Box 11375, Las Vegas, NV 89111-1375, U.S.A.

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SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

The Lord's Celebration, 1-2PM at Faith Center. Our weekly fellowship. A gathering together in the Lord. Praise, prayer, music, renewal and special prayers for those in need of healing.

HEALING & COUNSELING

Ministers are available at Faith Center for counseling and healing prayers. Please call (702) 367-6808 to schedule an appointment.

We also maintain a Healing Prayer Book in which we enter the names of all those requesting prayers. If you wish to have your name entered, or that of a friend or relative, please call with your prayer request.

GREETINGS & THANKS: A very happy New Year to all our readers, and our prayers for a most fulfilling and enjoyable 1989. Our special thanks to all of you who have contributed to our Annual Appeal. You make so much of what we do possible, and we appreciate it so very much. And to those of you who have not yet responded, remember it is never too late!

LOCAL



Christmas at UMC with Cookie playing Santa!

CLOWN MINISTRY: Even in normal times our schedule is pretty hectic, with thirty or more visits per month, but these are not normal times, and, as usual, the period between Halloween and Christmas is especially busy with parties and special events at most of the institutions we visit. One of these parties, the Christmas party at University Medical Center (UMC), attracted the attention of both the local NBC affiliate (Ch. 3), and the ABC affiliate (Ch. 13), and Cookie (Rev. Raphael de Peyer), Lilac (Rev. Grace Michaels) and Iggy (Brother David Maloney) all made the small screen!



Daffydil lights up a smile on this little girl's face at Sunrise.

At the UMC party, as well as at the other institutions for children, we gave out an enormous number of toys, much to the delight of the hundreds of recipients. Many of these had been purchased through the funds we raise for that purpose, but equally and most generously we received donations from national toy companies, Hasbro, Impulse, Buddy L, and Lego Systems, Inc. Local businesses and individuals also gave generously, including Paula Gonzales, Alleluia Gift Shop, Ron Brown of Muffler Masters in Reno, and Diane Karosy, who, along with her colleague at Fashion Fingers, Barbara Snyder, donated haircuts to the battered women and children at Temporary Assistance for Domestic Crisis (TADC), and the men and women of the Adult Recovery Program at Fitz House: a significant gift for those afflicted with poor self-esteem.

But, to back up a bit... Halloween saw many parties with the clowns giving out gift bags full of whistles, funny teeth, dinosaur erasers, kites, rings and other goofy stuff!!!



Intense concentration is the order of the day for Lilac and this young lady having her face painted!

Lilac did a lot of face painting at Vegas House's Halloween dance, at TADC's "Women's Day of Unity" at Paradise Park, and at the Winchester Community Center during an event for the handicapped, sponsored by Desert Developmental Center (DDC), much to everyone's enjoyment.

For Christmas at the Lorenzi Park Adaptive Recreation Program for handicapped kids, Daffydil (Rev. Nathania Gartman) gave out bags full of treats including leis. One of the activities for the day was performing the hula: all the kids participated including some who had difficulty with mobility.

We lost one clown, Constructo (Brother Peter Williams), who transferred to Angel Canyon to work at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, only to regain another, Coconut, (Rev. Maria Perchuk), who has been in Phoenix for the last year helping to get that program going. Coconut is visiting at Sunrise, doubling the frequency of our visits there, at the House of the Good Shepherd, a home for troubled teenage girls, and at Cosada Del Mar, a nursing home.



A young man in isolation (hence Coconut's surgical mask) meets Garfield at Sunrise Hospital.

Many thanks to Bernard Hamilton, principal of a local elementary school who made a jolly and sensitive Santa at our Christmas party at Tolabe Cottage at Child Haven, dispensing kindness and encouragement along with his sackful of toys. Other new volunteers, who work professionally with children, include Silvia Lee (Junior the clown) and Marcia Fiestal. Their professional training shapes their clowning with a knowledge of the needs of the children we visit and how to bring out the best in them. Thank you all for the joy you bring.

In one among many moving incidents, Joyce, (not her real name), a frail, pale Child Haven toddler, was

touched by the clowns. Since she arrived two weeks before she had done nothing but cry. The only time she stopped was when a staff person held her. She would let none of the children touch her, never smiled and had not responded in any way except for her constant crying. When the clowns arrived she was sitting on a staffer's lap, away from the others. Lilac sat with the group and started the music sing-along. After a short time Joyce was nodding her head in time to the music. Surprised by her response, the staffer carried her over to the couch and sat there with some of the other toddlers. Contrary to her normal pattern, Joyce did not cry, but continued to enjoy the music, nodding and smiling at times. At the end of the visit, the staff crowded around us and told us, "You see what good you are doing with your ministry," and told us how healing our visit had been. "She even let another little one touch her, and held hands with her for a while," they told us. "And she spoke her first word in the two weeks she's been here."



The young man on the right checks out the magic tricks being performed by Lilac and Cookie at a Child Haven Christmas party.

PET THERAPY: During a visit to Hillhaven Convalescent Center, Rev. Abigail Johns and therapists, Teddy, Pippin and Scruffy stopped to talk with Jasper, as they had with all the residents. One of the nurses' aides put Scruffy on Jasper's lap, and Jasper so fell in love with him that he would only let him go when he realized Scruffy had to take care of business outside!!! Meanwhile, Marian, another resident, came by to say "Hi" to Pippin, who put his paws on her lap and kissed her nose, much to Marian's amusement. She thought it was just great.



Two residents at Henderson Convalescent Hospital check out Fritz the Cat, held by HiFi (Rev. Matthew Gartenlaub).

ANIMAL ACTION: Winterization of the most recent shelters at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary is proceeding apace. Our very special thanks to Universal Insulation and Central Valley Insulation, who, very generously, provided for our immediate insulation needs.

Adoptions from Best Friends are also proceeding steadily in the Las Vegas area, as well as in Denver and Phoenix. To give an animal a wonderful home call 367-6808 in Las Vegas. For dogs ask for Rev. Jana de Peyer, and for cats ask for Rev. Matthew Gartenlaub.

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